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Dear Sir:

I have read your testimony of July 24, 1964 appearing in the "Warren Report" (pages 306-310, Vol. XI) and there are several questions I would like to have you answer for me.

First of all, I wonder if at the time of your testimony, you were familiar with the type of weapon referred to in the Report as a Terni 91/38 Mannlicher-Carcano 6.5mm rifle and if so, had you had an opportunity prior to that time to fire such a weapon?

In the testimony, the telescopic sight involved is simply referred to as a four-power scope, the scope on the "Oswald Rifle" actually being a 4X18 fixed power scope with a one-half inch tube diameter designed for use on small bore type rifles. Would you say that the 4X18 power scope would be more preferable for short range work with a high powered rifle, than say, scopes of the 4X30 to 4X40 power class with one inch tube diameters?

Your kind reply will be most appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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